

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention relates to a method of handling faults and preventing damage to or from machine tools, production machines, and robots, having individually driven machine elements. Process information is exchanged between the drives (A1-A6) via at least one data link (AB1, AB2, LB, Q), with the result that a drive braking function and/or a system standstill is initiated after detection of a faulty drive (A1-A6), and the actual values (G1, G2, of the faulty drive (A1-A6) are transmitted as nominal values to the faultlessly operating drives (A1-A6) involved.

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